

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 8, with the following amended paragraph:

With this configuration, all the components other than the pixel electrode 118 and a drain electrode region 106 of a thin-film transistor 103 can be shielded from incident light. In particular, the source lines 113 and the gate lines 110 can completely be shielded from the exterior. This prevents an event that external electromagnetic waves are received by the source lines 113 and the gate lines 110 to cause an erroneous or faulty operation of the device.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 14, with the following amended paragraph:

Reference numeral 115 denotes a lead-out line connected to the drain electrode region 106 as well as to an ITO electrode 118 serving as a pixel electrode. Reference numerals 114 and 117 denote second and third interlayer insulating films, respectively.